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## S.C.R. NO. 43

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO DESIGNATE, WHEN APPROPRIATE, ROUTE 200 ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII AS THE DANIEL K. INOUYE LEGACY HIGHWAY.

WHEREAS, the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye was born in Hawaii on September 7, 1924; and

WHEREAS, Senator Daniel K. Inouye volunteered for combat with the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team, earning several honors, including the bronze star, the purple heart, and the medal of honor; and

WHEREAS, after being honorably discharged with the rank of captain. Senator Daniel K. Inouye was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1959 and subsequently to the United States Senate in 1962; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, Senator Daniel K. Inouye became chairperson of the United States Senate Appropriations Committee; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his death, Senator Daniel K. Inouye was Senate President Pro Tempore, having achieved the distinction of being the second longest serving United States senator during his fifty-year tenure with the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Daniel K. Inouye helped to create a roadmap of success for Hawaii infrastructure by obtaining much needed federal funds for Hawaii projects; and

WHEREAS, Route 200, known locally as Saddle Road, traverses the width of the Island of Hawaii, from downtown Hilo to its junction with Hawaii Route 190 near Waimea; and 1 2 3

WHEREAS, currently, the jurisdiction of Route 200 is unsettled, with the federal government, the State, and the County of Hawaii all having interests in various sections of the road as improvements are made and repairs are completed; and

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WHEREAS, upon completion of the improvements and repairs, the State will have sole jurisdiction over Route 200; and

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WHEREAS, the completion of Route 200 serves to represent both literally and symbolically the work of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye-the physical bridging together of East and West Hawaii and the bridging of the bonds between people, local and from the mainland, and at the federal, state, county, and private sector levels, with the aim of completing a single civic qoal; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2013, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of Transportation is requested to recognize the significant accomplishments of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye by designating Route 200, also known as Saddle Road, as the Daniel K. Inouye Legacy Highway; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Director of Transportation, the Mayor of the County of Hawaii, and the Director of the County of Hawaii Department of Public Works.

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